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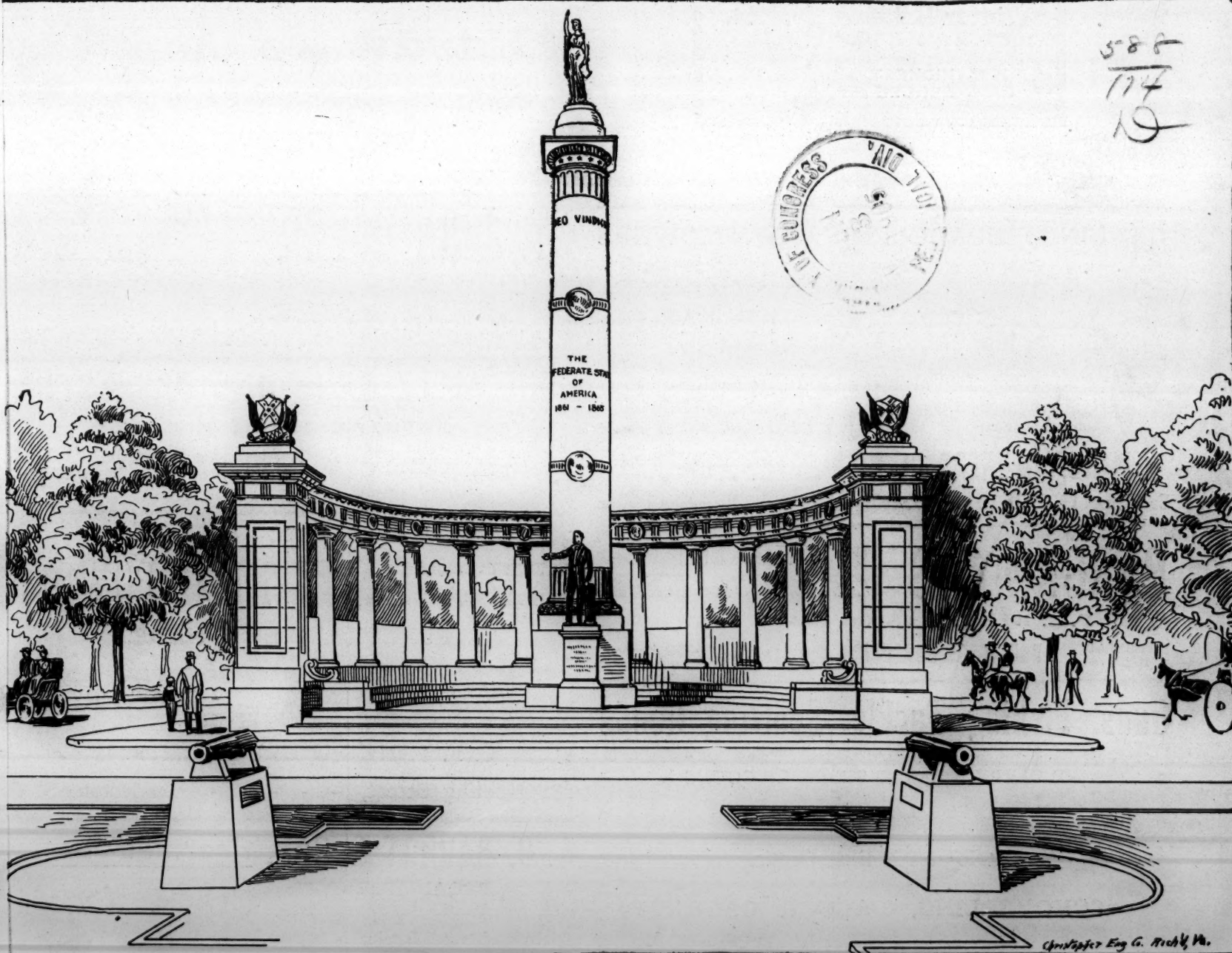
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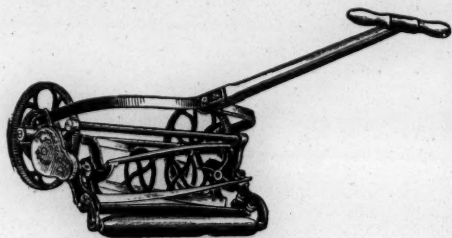
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WITH June *The Keystone* enters upon its seventh year of existence. Just one year younger than the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs, it has grown up with the club work of that State, and has reached out to assist and to be employed by the club women of other Southern States, until to-day the women of the two Carolinas, of Mississippi and Florida call it their own, while its friends all over the United States bespeak it long life and a career of usefulness.

The clubwoman works, plans, and writes, while the club publication prints and gives the benefit of this effort to every community of club women. The need and usefulness of an official organ have now been established beyond discussion, and the club journal of the different sections of our country are equalling the expectations of their friends, and meeting the demands made upon their ability to sustain all departments of club endeavor.

As the only Southern clubwoman's publication, "*The Keystone*" stands as the representative of the Southern club woman at home and abroad, and voices her ideals, ambitions and achievements. The loyal support which these women have given their official organ is an expression of their approval which encourages "*The Keystone*" to continue its efforts in behalf of all organized endeavors of Southern women.

We are part and parcel of the South with her noble past, her prosperous present and her most promising future, and through woman's influence and support our work stretches out before us along lines of splendid endeavor.

THE Convention of the North Carolina and South Carolina Federations of Women's Clubs held in May marked a decided step in the development of each organization. The detailed reports of these conventions will appear in their respective departments of *The Keystone*. The spirit which actuates the women of the Carolinas at both their meetings was steadfast in character and noble in aspiration. Self-seeking was put aside and the women as a whole expressed their pure womanliness by an earnest loyalty to the work they had in hand. Each State may feel that her daughters are standing true to the ideals of their mothers, and at the same time, grasping with a firm hand and brave heart the complex problems which confront their own day and generation. Womanliness is ever the same, it is only the expression of it that takes different forms as the years come and go, and the Clubwoman's ideal is the womanly woman.

THE eyes of the club women of the world are turned this month to Atlantic City, New Jersey, where the Council of the General Federation of Women's Clubs will be in session on June 7th-8th. This council between Biennials affords a conference on club interests which will be eagerly grasped by prominent club women, and the inspiration and help which will come from this gathering of unselfish and experienced leaders in the club world will be infused in to the club work of the coming year. All club women await with sympathetic interest the result of this council and there is no doubt but that every department of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, will be benefited by the deliberations of this meeting.

WOMAN'S work in historical research is receiving recognition generally. We notice with interest that the name of Miss Lucy Salmon, professor of history at Vassar College, New York, is prominently mentioned as one to be honored by being placed in the Historical Section of the Hall of Fame, at the University of New York. Prof. Salmon's work along historical lines both in general history and as an inspiration to historical students, is too well known to need comment. Again, we learn that in 1904 the Assembly of the State of Maryland created a Public Records Commission of three citizens of the State, who should serve without pay; this Commission to examine into "the condition and completeness of the public records of the State." Gov. Warfield in appointing this Commission recognized woman's work along historical lines by appointing Mrs. Hester Dorsey Richardson a member of the Commission. Mrs. Richardson is a recognized authority on the history and genealogy of Maryland families, and it was in recognition of her valuable work along these lines which prompted Governor Warfield to present her with this commission. As historian of The Baltimore Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution, member of The Maryland Society of The Colonial Dames of America, an incorporator of The Original Research Society of Maryland, founder of The Woman's Literary Club of Maryland, member of The Maryland Historical Society, and General Federation Secretary for Maryland, she has identified herself with all the active historical agencies in her State, and at present is preparing for publication in book form "*The Colonial Families of Maryland and Side Lights on Maryland History*." The field of historical research is one that offers special opportunities and attractions to woman's ability for careful and painstaking endeavor, and there is every indication that her work along this line of scholarship is being recognized and appreciated. Methodical and systematic training, a sincere desire for truth, a conscientiousness above reproach, exhaustless patience and impersonal consideration are qualities not above woman's attainment, and these in a large part are the equipment of the historical student. The field is a broad one and offers a place for all.

THE Domestic Service Problem is now being handled with scientific care and attention by an organized body of women resident in New York, Boston and Philadelphia, as is shown by the fact that in the April issue of the Bulletin of the Inter-Municipal Committee on household research has appeared, an article on Domestic Service by Margaret Lexington Chandler, Pres. of the Women's Municipal League of New York City—a plea for the dignity of domestic service. This committee has the disposal of four fellowships of \$500; one to be used in Philadelphia for the study of the unemployed negro, and the other three in Boston for the study of the social and industrial problems of the various nationalities other than American now located in that city.

This committee has also planned an outline for study by the social, science or home departments of Women's Clubs. This committee only asks in exchange that the Club using it report the results to its office, 111 East 23rd Street, New York, Mrs. Lillian R. Pardee, Secretary.

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The Report of the Eighth Convention of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs.

May 16th-19th, 1905.

EVERY convention of men or women is characterized by some special feature, some mental or moral condition, which seems to dominate the assembly and modify its various and diversified constituents and interests. In the case of the eighth convention of the South Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs the name of the hostess city seems to have impressed itself upon all the deliberations of the assembly. Union was an ideal hostess town, and "unity in diversity," the motto of the parent organization, the General Federation, was stamped upon the proceedings of the Convention.

The Board of Directors and the Executive Board of the Federation met on Tuesday afternoon, May 16th, in the Clover Club parlors, the Men's Club of Union, kindly put at the disposal of the Federation for its committee meetings.

The Credential Committee was also in session here at this time and the principal point of interest discussed by the Board of Directors was the admission of delegates sent by the City Federation of Orangeburg, S. C. As the Constitution did not provide for city Federations, the Board decided that at this convention City Federation delegates who had presented credentials to this meeting should be received as delegates on the basis of club representation: that is, of two delegates from the Federation and the payment of the regular club dues of \$3.00. It was also decided that next year representation from City Federations should be provided for in the Constitution. The convention proper opened on Wednesday morning at 10:30, in the opera house, which was most artistically decorated with the Federation and State colors, blue and white, and many beautiful potted plants, ferns and palms. This auditorium was most comfortably arranged, airy and well lighted day and night, and from its size suited a woman's assembly to perfection.

The invocation was made by Rev. A. G. Wardlaw, and addresses of welcome were extended by Mayor R. McNally in behalf of the city of Union; Rev. D. M. McLeod in behalf of the ministers, and Mrs. B. G. Clifford in behalf of the clubwomen of Union. Mrs. C. C. Featherstone, of Laurens, responded for the Federation in a bright and well pointed address, upholding the Federation ideals and putting its objects before the public. The regular order of business was taken up immediately upon the conclusion of these addresses, and the Credential Committee, composed of Mrs. O. B. Mayer, Newberry, chairman; Mrs. Rufus Fant, Anderson, and Miss V. D. Brown, Treasurer of the Federation, Anderson, reported present six officers, seven chairman of Departments and forty-five clubs, represented

by seventy-five delegates, making the total vote of the convention eighty-eight.

The Clubs not represented were:—Book Club, Abbeville; Altrurian, Batesville; The Clover Club, Beaufort; The Joseph Wylie Park Association, Chester; The Columbia Art League, Columbia; Auf Wiedersehen, Edgefield; Alumnae Association of Greenville Female College, and The Free Kindergarten Association, Greenville; the Hanging Rock, Kershaw; Cranford Book Club, and Lancaster Music Club, Lancaster; Perihelion, Child Study Club, Musical Club, and Amelia Pride, Rock Hill; Entre Nous Club, Trenton; Paul Hayne Circle, Walhalla; Shakespeare Club, Yorkville.

The Child Study Club, Charleston, disbanded.

Mrs. Smith's Alumnae Association, resigned.

The President reported nine new clubs admitted during the year, as follows:—The Fortnightly Club, Batesburg; The Musical Club, and Civic Improvement League, Bennettsville; The Civic League, Darlington; The Literary Club, Edgefield; The Civic League, Greenville; The Literary Club, Newberry; The City Federation, and The Carolinians, Orangeburg.

The Committee on Rules, Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Charleston, chairman; Mrs. L. J. Blake, Spartanburg, and Mrs. H. C. Wannamaker, Orangeburg, reported rules for the Convention, after which the regular reports of the officers came in order. Mrs. W. K. Sligh, the President, presented a comprehensive, statistical and suggestive report of the year's work among the clubs, with the following recommendations: A plan for the division of the State into geographical districts with a vice-president for each district in place of the two vice-presidents now in office; the printing of the minutes of each convention for distribution among the clubs; that the clubwomen of South Carolina use their influence among the representatives in Congress in behalf of the Pure Food Bill; that Clubs and individual clubwomen constantly consult the pages of their official organ, *The Keystone*, in order to keep pace with the work of the departments and other Federations, and that a committee be appointed, one of whom should be the Recording Secretary of the Federation, whose duty it should be to report on the important points in the minutes of the previous meeting which might bear on the business of the current meeting.

A committee of Mrs. H. W. Carroll, Bennettsville, chairman; Mrs. R. W. Gibbes, Columbia, and Mrs. Booth, of Chester, reported favorably on these recommendations later on in the meeting, and they were adopted by the convention. The question of a standing committee in the State Federation on the study of Civil Service Reform was also suggested by the President in her report, especial mention being made of the valuable work Miss Adele VanderHorst, of Charleston, S. C., was doing in this subject for the Southern States as a member of the General Federation's Civil Service Reform Committee. This matter was discussed later on and the suggestion heartily endorsed by the Federation. The President was given power to appoint a standing committee for the S. C. Federation on Civil Service Reform under the Civic's Department.

Mrs. A. F. McKissick, the 1st Vice-President, reported that she had had an extensive correspondence with clubwo-

men all over the United States on the subject of Child Labor in South Carolina. It was especially fitting that Mrs. McKissick should have had charge of this subject in the S. C. Federation work since she is so well fitted to give information in this direction. The convention regretted the absence of the 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. L. T. Nichols, of Chester, who was unavoidably prevented from attending the meeting. The Treasurer's report showed that there was a balance of over a hundred dollars in the treasury, although the expenditures of the Federation had been greater than during any previous year.

The first subject taken up by the Convention after the officers' reports, was the report from the Reformatory and Industrial School Committee, made by Mrs. M. O. Patterson, of Greenville, chairman. This report was one of great interest to the delegates. The chairman showed how the Committee had worked to interest people generally in the value and importance of this school. Appeals for endorsement of the idea had been sent to all the chapters of the D. A. R., U. D. C. and King's Daughters in the State. A bill for the establishment of the school had been presented to the legislature and had passed the House, but had failed by one vote to pass the Senate. The Committee was still working for their object and associations for the advancement of the work had been organized in several counties. Contributions of money had been pledged from Lancaster, \$50; Old Homestead Book Club, Darlington, \$50; Runnymede Club, Anderson, \$25; "Twentieth Century," Bennettsville, \$20, and Mrs. Fant, Anderson, and Mrs. McColl, Bennettsville, and others promised some material help as soon as they could consult their clubs. On Thursday morning the Reformatory and Industrial School Committee was allowed another half hour for further discussion of the plan. At this time Mrs. August Kohn, of Columbia, moved a vote of thanks to Mrs. Patterson for her untiring efforts in behalf of the Industrial School. This motion was unanimously adopted, and Mrs. Patterson made a plea for the raising of two or three thousand dollars by the clubs to supplement any appropriation made by the legislature for this object in the future. Mrs. Gridley, of Greenville, promised that the Greenville Association for the Reformatory and Industrial School would bear all the expenses for printing and postage incurred by Mrs. Patterson's Committee until the School should be established. This information was received with applause. There is evidently much earnest interest in the work for this school and public opinion has been most sympathetic with its establishment. On motion of Mrs. Hampton Perry, of Charleston, clubs were asked to report Mrs. Patterson's plea for contributions of money back to their clubs with the request that pledges for money be sent to Mrs. Patterson by November first so that she may know what definite sum her committee has at its command before the next legislature meets.

There were seven chairmen of Departments present out of the nine, and each one showed by her report and the discussion which she conducted during the time allowed her special department that the work in each is progressing with great strides.

The first department to report was that of Education, with Miss Anadora Baer, of Charleston, as chairman. In her report, she made a plea for the development of rural schools and their physical equipment. She urged upon the Federation the value of the observance of Educational Day

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in Club programs and requested the individual clubwoman to attend all educational conferences. Her report showed that twenty-one clubs during the past year had observed Educational Day with suitable exercises; she enumerated the fifteen scholarships now in the possession of the Federation, stating that those from the S. C., Kindergarten, Normal and Mrs. Smith's School, and the Louisville School of Domestic Science had been withdrawn because of the disbanding of these schools. There had been twenty-seven applicants for the fifteen scholarships. Miss Baer had secured one new scholarship this year, that from the Confederate Home College, Charleston, S. C. A detailed report of these scholarships will appear in the July *Keystone*; date of examinations for open scholarships will also be given in this report. The committee working with the Chairman of Education are Miss Lucy Hoyt, Greenville, Miss Euphemia McClintock, Columbia, Miss Elizabeth Bryan, Charleston. Discussion followed Miss Baer's report, in which Miss McClintock, Columbia; Mrs. Earle, Seneca; and Mrs. Booth, Chester, took part.

Mrs. J. T. Calvert, Spartanburg, chairman of Domestic Science Department, read a paper on the value of Domestic Science to a woman and made a plea for its introduction into the curricula of educational institutions. In the half hour devoted to Library Extension, Mrs. M. P. Gridley, Greenville, chairman, made a report without notes; she stressed the point that there was a need for the clubs to furnish cases for the libraries they give in the future; reported nine new libraries given this year, one each from the Century Club, Charleston, the Dixie Club, Orangeburg, and the New Century Club, Columbia, and the other six from private contributions through the chairman's influence. Mrs. Gridley also noted that very few books were lost from the

libraries, and that in the history only one case had been lost, and that had been finally found, after having been sold at "an old horse sale" in Greenville. The request was made that each county have a manager for the distribution of the libraries in that section. The chairman reported that about forty libraries were under the direct management of the chairman of the department, while many clubs had undertaken to circulate their libraries themselves and thus relieve the chairman of so much work. These clubs were located in Greenville, Spartanburg, Chester, Sumter and Marlboro Counties. The Sumter Club and the Palmetto, Chester, each reported twelve libraries they had in circulation. In the discussion of the work which followed, the Civic Club, of Charleston, reported its efforts to have book cases made by the boys in the Industrial Departments of the Porter Military Academy and Clemson College for their libraries. The idea was well received by the delegates, and the clubwomen hope to co-operate with the Industrial work in these schools in this way.

The Art report from the chairman, Mrs. A. G. Brice, of Chester, was a very gratifying one. This department had on exhibition what was left of their exhibit which had been circulating through the State, and this gave the delegates an idea of what was wanted and what was not wanted in this Traveling Art Gallery. The chairman reported the gallery had visited seven places and had three cases, one large and two small ones, in which were ninety-five pictures, valued at \$24.90. This department had received \$16.40 from the Federation, had paid all expenses of expressage, breakage, etc., and had a balance on hand of \$5.04. This is evidently the best financed department in the Federation. The chairman opened discussion by asking for suggestions as to how to improve the Department. Six clubs reported special work on Art and the clubwomen were urged by the chairmen to give portfolios of pictures to libraries and inspiring pictures to the public schools.

In the absence of the chairman of the Music Department, Mrs. J. R. Vandiver, of Anderson, her report was read by Mrs. R. W. Gibbes, of Columbia. This report showed six clubs in the Federation included music in their programs. On Wednesday night at the public session, this department furnished practical music in a program in which the Union Male Quartette, Mrs. Cora S. Ligon, Mrs. A. P. Johnston, vocalists, and Miss Welch, pianist, Anderson, Mrs. H. W. Smith, Orangeburg, vocalist, and Mrs. Baird, Darlington, accompanist took part. These musical numbers were all received with appreciation by the large and brilliant audience which filled the opera house at this open session. At this night session greetings from the General Federation of Women's Clubs were extended by Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Charleston, Corresponding Secretary of the General Federation. In her address Miss Poppenheim gave briefly the aims and ideals of the General Federation and showed how these aims and ideals were to be found in the aspirations and endeavors of the South Carolina Federation. The Arts and Crafts Department also reported at this session through its chairman, Mrs. R. H. Jennings, of Orangeburg, who gave a brief and concise report of the work done in placing an exhibit of the arts and crafts work of the women of South Carolina at the State Fair in Columbia last November; at the conclusion of her report, Mrs. Jennings introduced Mrs. R. L. Honour, of Charleston, a trained worker in silver, clay and wood work, who gave a most suggest-

ive and instructive address on the value of the clays of South Carolina, and made a plea for pottery work for women. This address will appear in a later issue of *The Keystone*.

The Civic Improvement work in South Carolina is the most popular work of the clubwomen of the State. Its growth has been phenomenal and is due partly to the fact that this decade represents the era of the Civic Ideal in America, and partly to the wise suggestions, untiring energy and capable work of the chairman of this department, Miss Mary Waterhouse, of Beaufort. Owing to unavoidable circumstances, Miss Waterhouse was detained at home and her report was read by Mrs. Rufus Fant, of the Anderson Civic Association. This report showed that in 1903 South Carolina had seven Civic Associations; in 1904 it had eighteen and in 1905 there were twenty-five in this State. Special work of value had been done in Anderson, Beaufort, Bennettsville, Charleston, Columbia, Darlington, Greenville, Johnstons, Lancaster, Prosperity and Sumter and the general spirit of the State was in favor of Civic Beautifying.

The Department of Reciprocity, which also included the work of *The Keystone*, was reported on by its chairman, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Charleston. This report made a plea for Reciprocity Day on the Club programs, urged upon the clubs the value and necessity for filing club year books and programs with the Reciprocity Bureau, advised an exchange of club members on Reciprocity Day and suggested the possibility of good which would come from all officers' chairmen and clubs keeping the official organ informed of the work of their respective departments, so that the individual clubwoman might keep in touch with the great impulses of endeavor which were moving the Federation to activity. The chairman reported that eight clubs had celebrated Reciprocity Day this past year, and that many others were agitating the matter of incorporating it into their programs next year for all celebrating the day were satisfied with the result and expected to continue it as a club exercise. It was also shown that fifteen new programs had been added to last year's forty-five, making sixty programs and year books on file. Twelve new manuscript papers on club and kindred subjects had been received at the Bureau during the past year. Eighteen manuscript and programs had been lent from the bureau in Anderson, Greenville, Charleston, Spartanburg, Edgefield, Bennettsville, and Rock Hill. All the working officers and all the chairmen of departments except those of Library, Domestic Science and Music, had used *The Keystone*, the official organ, for calls and appeals to the clubs. This report was followed by discussion in which the chairman asked for suggestions from the floor in developing the usefulness of the department. The Reciprocity idea is one of the later and more highly developed expressions of club work in the State and General Federation, although it is the keynote of the entire club idea.

However, it is being developed with remarkable rapidity into a department of club work, more than thirty-five States to-day incorporating this work in their State plan of endeavor.

The last department to report was the Kindergarten Department, under the direction of the chairman, Miss M. E. Klinck, of Charleston. Miss Klinck opened her half hour with a short detailed report, showing that there are twenty-five kindergartens in South Carolina, divided into eight private, seven free supported by Associations, and nine supported by mill companies. The towns showing interest in

kindergarten work are Columbia, with one private and four free kindergartens; Charleston with five private and four free; Greenville with one private and one free; Rock Hill with no private and two free; and Edgefield with one private and no free kindergarten, while Anderson has the kindergarten in connection with the public school system.

There are mill kindergartens at Anderson, Columbia, Charleston, Greenville, Greer, Laurens, Pacolet, Pelzer, and Spartanburg and there are three training schools for kindergartners in the State, one each at Charleston, Rock Hill, and Greenville.

A very attractive conclusion was made to this half hour by the introduction of six little girls from Union on the stage who, under the direction of Miss Marion Hanckel, of Charleston, the trainer in the South Carolina Kindergarten Association School in Charleston, gave the convention an illustration of what children do in the kindergarten and what it teaches them in nature study, direction, color, numbers, etc. The reports from the clubs were interspersed between the Department reports, and were one of the most interesting features of the convention. The time limit of two minutes was strictly adhered to and very few clubs were forced to curtail their reports showing a conformity to law and order which is one of the most gratifying expressions of the influence of club life on women. The Civic idea was present everywhere in the club reports and philanthropy shares the honors with Civic betterment in engaging the attention and support of the club women of America.

The amendment to the Constitution, limiting the term of office of a chairman of a department to four years was carried, and that one providing that a majority vote on the first ballot should constitute an election was amended by Mrs. M. O. Patterson, Greenville, to read, "provided a motion be made to make this majority vote an election," was also carried.

The President appointed a committee to take charge of the question of the Pure Food Bill, as follows: Mrs. J. T. Calvert, Spartanburg, chairman; Mrs. Hill, of Edgefield, and Mrs. E. M. Hewell, of Greenville. An invitation to hold the next convention at Rock Hill was extended by Miss Marion Johnson, and was accepted with appreciation.

The tellers for the election were Mrs. J. C. Tiedeman, Charleston; Mrs. Robt. Graham, Greenville; Miss Marion Johnson, Rock Hill; Miss Ameda Moses, Sumter. The election was by ballot and resulted as follows:

President, Mrs. W. K. Sligh, Newberry; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Greenwood; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. G. B. Clifford, Union; Recording Secretary, Mrs. J. E. Sirrene, Greenville; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. M. Visanska, Charleston; Treasurer, Miss V. D. Brown, Anderson; Auditor, Mrs. W. B. Wilson, Sr., Rock Hill. Suitable resolutions of thanks to the hostess clubs and city were offered by the following committee: Mrs. C. C. Featherstone, Laurens, chairman; Mrs. G. E. Gibbon, Charleston, Mrs. A. W. Klutz, Chester.

Immediately on the adjournment of the convention on Thursday afternoon, a meeting of the Board of Directors was held in the opera house, at which time the following chairmen of departments were elected for the coming year: Education, Miss Anadora Baer, Charleston; Kindergarten, Miss M. E. Klinck, Charleston; Library, Mrs. M. P. Gridley, Greenville; Art, Mrs. A. G. Brice, Chester; Music, Mrs. R. W. Gibbes, Columbia; Civics and Forestry, Mrs. Rufus

Fant, Anderson; Domestic Science, Mrs. J. T. Calvert, Spartanburg; Arts and Crafts, Mrs. R. H. Jennings, Orangeburg; Reciprocity, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Charleston.

The social features and courtesies of the convention were delightful. The reception at Capt. F. M. Farr's house on Tuesday evening was a most charming introduction to Union, and the visiting delegates. The courtesy of the Clover Club and the hospitality of its rooms all during the convention were pleasures long to be remembered. The reception at the Hotel on Thursday night was a fitting closing to a most satisfactory convention. The men of Union were present at this reception and the Union Choral Club added much to the evening's enjoyment by delightful vocal and instrumental music given by Mr. B. F. Townsend, Miss Clifford, Mrs. C. N. Peake, Mrs. W. E. Thomson, Mrs. C. E. Lipscomb, Mrs. R. G. Shannonhouse, Miss Margaret Walker, Mr. Thomas McNally and Miss Nina Colton. Punch was served during the evening and the assembly adjourned to the dining room where delightful refreshments were served to over four hundred people. The color scheme was pink and white and the sweet peas, bright silver and dainty table appointments were a delight to the eye.

The souvenir of the meeting was a neat folder containing a reprint of Mrs. Decker's New Year's Greetings to the Clubwomen of the General Federation, which appeared in the January *Keystone*. The decorations in the Federation colors by the local merchants were continually remarked on and the arrangements by which the delegates had free use of carriages at all hours was a feature which added immensely to the comfort of the visitors. The courtesy extended the delegates in the use of the long distance telephone free of charge by the Bell Telephone Company on Thursday, was an unexpected and unusual treat which was accepted by many clubwomen. The liberal hospitality of the Rice Drug Company in extending the freedom of their soda water establishment free of charge to all clubwomen at all hours was a generosity which will long be remembered by the clubwomen of South Carolina.

The charm of Union's private hospitality is well known throughout the State, and it was well sustained in its courtesy to the Federation of Women's Clubs. Besides numerous dinners and tea parties given by various clubwomen, Mrs. A. G. Wardlaw entertained her personal friends from the various delegations at a beautiful afternoon tea on Thursday afternoon, from 6-8 o'clock.

This convention was marked by promptness in calling sessions, by clear and impartial rulings of the chair, by an earnest attention to the business in hand, all of which resulted in the dispatch of an unusual amount of business in a short time, thus doing away with the Friday morning's session and enabling the delegates to reach their homes by Friday night. This arrangement allowed the women attending to leave home Tuesday morning and return by Friday night, thus preventing any serious discomfort of the home because of the absence of the home maker. This convention was marked by the attendance of all the ex-presidents of the State Federation, namely: Mrs. M. W. Coleman, Seneca; Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Charleston; and Mrs. M. O. Patterson, Greenville.

The following were the delegates to this meeting: Mrs. W. K. Sligh, Miss Nina Carlisle, Miss Lalla Martin, Mesdames O. B. Mayer, A. T. Brown, E. C. Jones, T. C. Poole, Newberry; Mrs. A. F. McKissick, Mrs. W. P. Dean,

Greenwood; Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, Mrs. J. M. Visanska, Miss Anadora Baer, Miss M. E. Klinck, Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, Mesdames C. P. Poppenheim, R. L. Honour, G. E. Gibbon, Hampton Perry, J. C. Tiedeman, The Misses Loulie Wagener, Boyd, Trott, Marion Hanckel, Charleston; Mrs. A. C. Moore, Miss Euphemia McClintock, Miss L. Glenn, Mrs. August Kohn, Mrs. Galloway, Mrs. Poore, Mrs. R. W. Gibbes, Columbia; Miss Varina Brown, Mrs. C. S. Ligon, Mrs. A. P. Johnstone, Mrs. Rufus Fant, Mrs. Cox, Miss Welch, Anderson; Mrs. T. Fraser James, Mrs. Wm. Evans, Mrs. Harold Baird, Miss A. W. Dargan, Darlington; Mrs. M. O. Patterson, Mrs. M. P. Gridley, Mrs. W. J. Thackston, Miss J. E. Sirrine, Miss E. M. Hewell, Miss Louise Mackey, Mrs. H. B. Tindall, Mrs. Robt. Graham, Mrs. W. P. Conyers, Greenville; Mrs. A. G. Brice, Mrs. J. J. Stringfellow, Mrs. David Hemphill, Mrs. A. W. Klutz, Mrs. J. S. Booth, Mrs. M. H. Gaston, Miss E. H. Fletcher, Miss S. Latham, Chester; Mrs. J. T. Calvert, Mrs. L. J. Blake, Mrs. E. P. Walker, Mrs. Warren Du Pré, Mrs. H. M. Grimball, Spartanburg; Mrs. R. H. Jennings, Mrs. H. C. Wannamaker, Mrs. John Cart, Mrs. Louis Gelzer, Mrs. J. A. Berry, Mrs. W. G. Smith, Miss Dolly Wannamaker, Misses Lee and Mazie Slater, Orangeburg; Mrs. H. L. McColl, Mrs. H. W. Carroll, Mrs. C. P. Townsend, Miss Louise Breeden, Bennettsville; Mrs. W. E. Anderson, Miss E. A. Heaver, Blacksburg; Mrs. Hill, Edgefield; Mrs. J. H. White, Mrs. T. Denny, Johnston; Mrs. J. B. Mackorell, Lancaster; Mrs. C. C. Featherstone, Mrs. Darlington, Laurens; Mrs. J. Wheeler, Mrs. C. M. Boyd, Prosperity; Mrs. J. C. Witherspoon, Miss M. Johnson, Rock Hill; Mrs. Earle, Miss Margie Holland, Seneca; Miss A. E. Richardson, Summerville; Mrs. A. Bogin, Miss Ameda Moses, Sumter; Mesdames T. C. Duncan, R. P. Harry, B. G. Clifford, Davis Jefferies, V. E. DePass, W. E. Thomson, Union.

M. B. P.

MISSISSIPPI FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Address all communications for Mississippi to Mrs. Ed. C. Coleman, Kosciusko, *Manager*.

President—Mrs. Robt. E. Jones, Crystal Springs.
Corresponding Secretary—Miss Blanche Alexander, Kosciusko.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. R. J. Harding, Jackson, Miss

THE Mississippi Federation of Women's Clubs met in the capital city of Jackson, April 26, with the largest attendance since its organization—eight years ago. The sessions of the Federation were held in the senate chamber of the new Capitol. This hall was rendered yet more beautiful by the elaborate floral decorations. Nothing more artistic could be conceived than the graceful arrangement of evergreens and cut flowers against the white marble background, composing the President's stand. Before the formal opening of the Convention, a meeting of the Advisory Council, composed of the State President and the Presidents of each affiliated club was held for the purpose of formulating plans for the work of the Federation. At 10 o'clock Mrs. R. E. Jones, President of the Federation, called the meeting to order in its eighth annual convention. Bishop Charles B. Gallaway was called upon to invoke a blessing upon the labors of the convention. The address of welcome by Mrs. Patton, on behalf of Jackson clubs, was heartfelt. Mrs. G. S. Beall, of Durant, expressed the ap-

preciation of the visting delegates. Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker, President of the General Federation, was an honored guest of the Federation and brought greetings from the mother organization. During the meetings that followed, her words were always received with the most marked attention, and her presence and report of work accomplished were an inspiration to all delegates. The address of the State President was not so much a review of what had been accomplished, as a clarion call to the women of Mississippi to join hands in realizing the glorious possibilities that lie before them through the strength of unity—the Mississippi Federation. This is a "ship well launched with full sails set to favoring winds, the prow pointing to an auspicious future, across a sea of golden opportunities." Following greetings from other Federations and Clubs read by Corresponding Secretary, Miss Alexander was the report of the Educational Committee through the Chairman, Mrs. McRaven. Sympathy for this line of work is felt throughout the State, all being satisfied that time and money could not be more profitably expended than in maintaining a high standard of educated Southern womanhood. Co-ordinate with this line of work is the Child Labor Question. Mrs. T. R. Foster of Vicksburg succeeded in getting the Federation to adopt a resolution to co-operate with the King's Daughters of the State in their efforts to have a bill passed against child labor. Mrs. Foster is an officer of the King's Daughters, and does not approve of lobbying in Jackson, but for the Clubs to use personal influence with the legislature. The Traveling Library work, as presented in the report of its Chairman, Mrs. C. L. Anderson, will receive stronger impetus from the donations of books and money for transportations promised by individual Clubs.

There were very interesting reports and papers read on other subjects: Club Extension, Music, Art, Civic Improvement, Reciprocity and Publication of the official organ, which showed the growth of the work and the trend along which should be put forth most earnest endeavor.

All these meetings were interspersed with music, vocal and instrumental, furnished by the Chaminade Club of Jackson, and to say that it was thoroughly appreciated would but faintly express the sentiment of the convention.

There were several social functions, each delightful in its way, and to all of these the delegates attested their sincere appreciation, but possibly that which appealed most to the visting delegates being not only brilliant and enjoyable, but unique in that only one city in our State can supply the Hall of Fame, was the reception given, on the first evening, in this beautiful chamber of the new Capitol.

"The hall had been artistically arranged for the occasion. On a handsome table in a background of white roses were traced, in red roses, the letters "M. F. W. C." as a special honor to the Federated Clubs. The returned battle flags were displayed, for the first time, to the public, and many of the portraits of Mississippi heroes of the Lost Cause were draped in the special flag of their regiments and brigades. There were several other interesting features, one of which was a register in which the visiting ladies, who attended the reception, recorded their names. Historical souvenirs were given the guests. Everything was arranged to carry out the historical idea which prevailed throughout and was in keeping with the significance of the

place." Mrs. Erouopha Gregory, the charming and cultured hostess, was assisted in receiving by the State officers of the Federation and many members of the city Federation. It was a beautiful and historical event in the history of the Clubs, and one that will long be remembered.

On the morning of the last day, the officers were elected as follows: Mrs. Robert Jones, Crystal Springs, President for two years; Mrs. R. J. Harding, Jackson, Recording Secretary, two years; Miss Blanche Alexander, Kosciusko, Corresponding Secretary for another year; Mrs. Geo. Beall, Durant, Treasurer, two years; Mrs. D. M. Miller, Hazelhurst, Auditor; Mrs. Annie Mims Wright, Jackson, First Vice-President; Mrs. Pelham Mills, McCombs, Second Vice-President. The following resolution was adopted by rising vote.

"The visiting Club women of the Federation wish to extend their heartfelt thanks to the hostesses of Jackson who have so delightfully entertained them during their stay. To the local board, to Mrs. Sarah S. Platt Decker, President of the General Federation of Women's Clubs, whose charming presence has been such an inspiration to us, the Chaminade Club, whose music has been a most enjoyable feature of the occasion; to the press; to the Secretary of State for the use of the Capitol Building, and to all the good people of Jackson for their elegant hospitality, enjoyed during the convention."

On invitation of Mrs. R. E. Jones, the President, the next annual meeting will be held at Crystal Springs in April, 1906.

LOTTIE H. SMITH.

AT THE JACKSON Convention it was decided to limit the number of Vice-President of the Mississippi State Federations to two.

During the discussion of the Library Department it was decided that contributions of libraries should be voluntary. The Clubs were not taxed, nor did they make definite pledges, as the delegates wished to consult with their Clubs before so doing.

The publishers of *The News-Scimitar* of Memphis, Tenn., has offered to Mrs. C. L. Anderson of Roscinko, State Chairman of Traveling Libraries of the Mississippi Federation, a library of fifty books in uniform binding, containing juvenile books, essays and books of fiction. They have consulted Mrs. Anderson regarding the kind of case to have made for the library.

Report of Chairman of Mississippi Traveling Libraries.

THIS department had no chairman until February, and in response to letters of inquiry regarding the work of the closing year, only four clubs have reported the circulation of traveling libraries, the sum total being fourteen.

The North Jefferson Street Club, of Jackson, reports one, which is used mostly within the city limits, occasionally being sent into the suburbs.

The Fortnightly Club, of Meridian, also reports one, which is now at the Meridian Cotton Mills, where it is said to be highly appreciated by the operatives of that factory. The Twentieth Century Club, of Vicksburg, have three of these libraries which have been sent to Quitman Co., as there is more demand for them there than in Warren Co., where there are very few white farmers.

Mrs. E. C. Coleman, chairman of the library committee of the Twentieth Century Club of Kosciusko, reports as follows:

"We now have nine libraries in circulation, one being in a country home, one in a country Sunday School, and seven in country schools.

"Last summer our Club gave a reception to the teachers assembled here for an Institute, and interested them in our libraries. We had from them more applications for libraries than we could supply. The teachers who act as librarians report that the libraries are needed and are doing a great deal of good.

"In one school a sum of money was collected during the winter and sixty-eight good books purchased for a school library. The librarian wrote our committee: 'Having your library here was quite a help in getting the people interested in having a library for the school. All my patrons have enjoyed having the books, and we certainly do appreciate your kindness. I think you and your club are doing a wonderful work, the good influence of which will last always.'"

Mrs. Coleman's report shows what can be accomplished by earnest effort along this line, and encourages those who have commenced traveling library work to persevere in it, and should inspire others to lend their influence in advancing the movement.

Thirty-four States belonging to the General Federation have traveling libraries, with a total number of 4,655. Eighteen States have library commissions, whose appointment in most instances was secured through the instrumentality of Women's Clubs. State Federations and the clubs, however, still control 1,016 of these libraries, which are generally in commonwealths where the movement is in the embryonic stage and where the Federations are not ready for legislation.

This being the case in Mississippi, I would suggest that a library commission be left for future consideration and that we adopt the plan of the Kentucky Federation, whose method is individual club effort, having a standing State committee with a sub-committee in each club, and with an annual ten cents per capita assessment of every club woman in the State Federation.

If each club here represented could be prevailed upon to collect a traveling library of fifty volumes by the beginning of the next club year, to be controlled by our Federation and also to agree to pay the small annual tax of ten cents, the work of this department would soon be recognized as a potent factor in advancing education among the people of our outlying districts.

Will the Mississippi Federation ignore the importance of this work? or will it appeal so strongly to the inner consciousness of each delegate present that through their influence with their respective clubs each club will have sent one box of books to the State Committee, as a contribution to the Federation libraries before our next annual convention?

MRS. C. L. ANDERSON, Chairman.

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NORTH CAROLINA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

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President—Mrs. Lindsay Patterson, Winston-Salem.

Recording Secretary—Miss Mary Petty, Greensboro.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss Claytor Candler, Winston-Salem.
26 Clubs—750 Members.

THE North Carolina Federation of Women's Clubs met in Goldsboro on May 2nd, and had a most delightful session.

The address of welcome was made by Mrs. Hollowell, President of the Goldsboro Club, and responded to by Miss Margaret Gibson of Wilmington. The Federation was most royally entertained by public receptions and private hospitality.

There were many fine addresses, one by Mr. Robbins of Goldsboro, editor of the "Argus," one by Prof. Sledd, of Wake Forest College, and one by Dr. A. J. McKelway, of Charlotte, on Child Labor. The officers elected for the ensuing year are as follows:

President, Mrs. J. T. Alderman of Henderson; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, of Goldsboro; 2nd Vice-President, Mrs. H. A. Murrill, of Charlotte; Recording Secretary, Miss Margaret Gibson, of Wilmington; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. M. Parham, Henderson; Treasurer, Mrs. Henry Weill, Goldsboro; Auditor, Mrs. John Gilmer, Kinston; Chairman Publication, Mrs. T. M. Pittman, Henderson.

The Federation will meet (D. V.) with the Woman's Club in Charlotte in the spring of 1906, the exact date to be determined later.

The delegates from Charlotte were Mrs. H. A. Murrill, President of the Club, and Mrs. C. C. Hook, who enjoyed it all so much they fear they have contracted the "delegate habit."

It is regretted that these notes are not fuller, but your correspondent not having been present is unable to give a detailed account of each day's proceedings, or of the work accomplished.

FLORENCE D. STEPHENSON.

THE THIRD annual meeting of the North Carolina Federation was held at Goldsboro, May 2nd, 3rd, 4th. The opening session took place in the Opera House on Tuesday evening and was presided over by Mrs. T. M. Pittman of Henderson, the Second Vice-President. Mrs. W. R. Hollowell, Goldsboro, gave the address of welcome, Mrs. Gibson, of Wilmington, the response, after which Dr. Benj. Sledd gave an address on "North Carolina Literature and the North Carolina Club Woman," and Mrs. R. R. Cotton, the organizer of the Goldsboro Woman's Club, read a helpful paper on "Club Work for Women."

The business sessions of Wednesday and Thursday were held in the attractive club room of the Goldsboro Woman's Club, and were taken up with the reading of reports from the officers and heads of departments, and individual clubs, discussions following most of the papers.

Our State has divided its work under the departments of library extension, education, village improvement, art, music, publication, reciprocity, and child study, which last was added at the present meeting. Possibly no work appeals to the clubs so strongly as that of library extension. There is scarcely a federated club in the State which has not collected books for the rural schools of its section and no estimate can be placed on the real value of these traveling libraries.

A number of gentlemen were present at the Thursday morning session when ex-Governor Aycock in well chosen words introduced Dr. A. J. McKelway, of Charlotte, who addressed the federation on the weighty subject of Child Labor so dear to the heart of women since it strikes at the very root of the home life.

The city of Charlotte extended an invitation for the next meeting of the federation which was accepted with pleasure. Delightful music, both instrumental and vocal, interspersed all the business meetings, adding the ever necessary charm of variety.

Wednesday afternoon from 5 to 6 o'clock Mrs. Sol. Weil delightfully entertained the delegates and a large number of friends in her elegant home, and that night a large reception was tendered the visitors at the Hotel Kennon, followed by a sumptuous banquet. At least a hundred ladies were seated at the long tables, gaily dressed and vivacious, but not a man in sight. How they must have envied us? Toasts were responded to on many subjects, including Our Federation, the Domestic Woman, the Professional Woman, and last but not least, Man.

Thursday afternoon a delightful drive was given, affording an opportunity to see the surrounding country for some miles, and also the most attractive parts of the city. Many handsome residences, beautiful lawns and roses in profusion gave an impression of wealth and comfort seldom seen in a place of the same size. The long procession ended at the charming little club house in the park, where refreshments were served.

Thursday night a sprightly play, called Petticoat Perfidy, was given at the club room, followed by an informal reception and the ever present delicacies which Goldsboro women know so well how to prepare. Thus ended one of the most delightful occasions on record.

M. L. G., Concord, N. C.

FLORIDA FEDERATION OF WOMEN'S CLUBS.

Address all communications for Florida to Mrs. J. H. Reese, 430 Cedar Street, Jacksonville, Manager.

President—Mrs. Richard F. Adams, Palatka.

Recording Secretary—Miss Kathryn Thorp, Daytona.

Corresponding Secretary—Miss May J. Crosby, San Mateo.
(21 Clubs—800 Members.)

THE Reciprocity Bureau acknowledges the receipt of the following: "The Writing of Faust, and the Significance of the Legend," from Palmetto Club, Daytona.

Year Book and program, Woman's Fortnightly Club, Palatka.

MRS. R. F. ADAMS, of Palatka, president of the State Federation of Women's Clubs, gave an interesting talk to the ladies in V. I. A. hall, Crescent City last Saturday afternoon on the work undertaken by the Federation for the year. There was a large attendance and Mrs. Adams' address made a fine impression.

RECIPROCITY DAY of the Palmetto Club, Daytona, was observed in an interesting way. The Ormond V. I. A. paid a visit to the hostess club in a body, and furnished the literary part of the program, while the entertaining club had arranged very enjoyable musical numbers. Major Downing, the "Jack Downing" of Innocents Abroad, took part in the program.

THE HOUSEKEEPERS' CLUB, of Coconut Grove, and five individual members, have recently subscribed for *The Keystone*, and we are finding it very pleasant and helpful, being

brought into touch with other clubs, and with the activities of the State Committees.

The visit of the State Federation was not only a spur to friendly emulation among ourselves, but waked us up to a wide range of interests, and to the possibilities of joining forces to a common end.

But while reaching out, and anxious to join what has been called "the rising current of organization among women," some of our members are eloquently warning us not to go too far afield, but to remember our housekeepers' emblem, the crossed brooms.

Apropos of this emblem, we are having this month, a day devoted to "Household Help, Hints and Queries," and we can record for the season the modest beginning in village improvement, having established a system of trash barrels, and a regular sweeping up of papers, and having bought a rolling chair to loan, feeling sure that both efforts are in the right direction.

The plan of having Current Events at each meeting in response to roll call is proving so successful, that we are beginning to keep a file of the weekly items and clippings, which may serve as useful reference and record.

In line with "special days," we have had a very successful "Bird Day" and expect our program for the coming year to be formed with this idea conspicuous.

MRS. JAMES S. CHURCH, of Milwaukee, Wis., one time of the chair of domestic science in the University of Illinois, lectured before the Woman's Fortnightly Club, of Palatka, Friday afternoon, April 28th, on Household Economics.

The occasion was an open meeting of the Club, and the ladies of Palatka were invited to be present. The occasion proved a delightful one, as a social hour, and refreshments followed the lecture.

A very well arranged program is the one for the new year; each of the seven lines of work of the State Federation is given a day on the program, while music and social hours are happily interspersed.

THE SUCCESS of the Advertising and Demonstrating Fair, just held by the Woman's Club of Jacksonville, is one of much gratification to the members, for the treasury is \$700.00 heavier on account of it.

A word of the plan may prove helpful to other organizations. Rows of booths were built in the auditorium of the club house and rented to merchants and factories to advertise their respective interests, the members of the Club demonstrating, each advertiser decorating his own booth.

Music was furnished in the evenings, and every effort was made to attract. Still the usual work of selling tickets and soliciting was done away with, and the merchants were so well satisfied that almost with one accord, the same firms are secured for a repetition in the late fall.

Reciprocity day has just passed most successfully, and the result of the annual election of officers is as follows: Pres., Mrs. D. U. Fletcher; 1st Vice-Pres., Mrs. Geo. Warner; 2nd Vice-Pres., Mrs. John Franz; 3rd Vice-Pres., Mrs. W. A. Evans; Recording Secretary, Miss Laura Warriner; Corresponding Secretary, Mrs. J. H. Reese; Treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Boyer.

The Club has become a member of the Society of Charities and Corrections, and elected a delegate to the Convention at Portland, Oregon.

SOUTH CAROLINA DIVISION UNITED DAUGHTERS OF THE CONFEDERACY.

This Department is official, and will be continued monthly.

LIST OF OFFICERS.

President—Mrs. Harriet Shannon Burnet, Camden, S. C.
Recording Secretary—Mrs. August Kohn, Columbia, S. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. B. G. Clifford, Union, S. C.
Treasurer—Miss Mary McMichael, Orangeburg, S. C.
Chairman Historical Committee—Miss Mary B. Poppenheim, 31 Meeting Street, Charleston, S. C.
47 Chapters—1,700 Members.

AS THE Chapters are preparing to disband for the summer the Historical Committee reminds them of the circular which was mailed them in February. Answers to the questions contained in this circular are earnestly requested at once. So that the State Historical Committee may be able to report statistics to the U. D. C. Historical Committee. All Chapter officers are urged to take this matter up at once.

MARY B. POPPENHEIM, *Chairman*.

DURING the past month the South Carolina Division U. D. C. has sustained a great loss in the death of Mrs. Harleston Reid, the President of the Arthur Manigault U. D. C., Georgetown, S. C. Mrs. Reid was at one time (1899) a Vice-President of the Division, and at the Camden and Orangeburg Conventions added much to the deliberations of the South Carolina Daughters by her gentle, earnestness and steadfast endeavor in behalf of the U. D. C. work. The entire Division mourns her loss and feels the deepest sympathy for her bereaved family and the local Chapter who have so long labored under the guidance of her wise and kindly rule.

THE SHEPARD Pictures for sale for the benefit of the Davis Monument always make desirable presents. The South Carolina Division has almost disposed of its quota. A few sets still remain. Those who are intending to buy these pictures and have not done so, already are urged to make their purchase at once, as this edition is the only one to be issued, and the Director of the Association for South Carolina would be glad to dispose of the few remaining sets and thus close up South Carolina's account with the Central Committee in regard to the sale of pictures.

THE HISTORICAL COMMITTEE of the Division announces Miss Hallie White of Johnston's, S. C., is the successful candidate for the Gold Badge given by the Central Committee of the Davis Monument Association to the little girl who should receive the greatest number of votes from the sale of the Davis Monument Buttons. South Carolina sold 1,246 buttons, and the votes cast were as follows: Hallie White, 377; Emma Bouknight, 54; Caroline Hampton Mullally, 53; Lucy Smith, Agnes Lee, Frankie Holman and Jane Howe each one vote.

The Chairman of the Committee has forwarded the Badge to the President of the Johnson's Chapter U. D. C. and the badge will be presented to little Miss White with suitable ceremonies on June 3rd, Jefferson Davis' birthday.

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General Federation of Women's Clubs.

President—Mrs. Sarah Platt Decker 1550 Sherman Ave., Denver, Col.
Cor. Sec.—Miss Louisa B. Poppenheim, 31 Meeting St., Charleston, S. C.
(UP-TO-DATE NOTES.)

THE Board of Directors of the General Federation of Women's Clubs will meet at Hotel Chalfonte, Atlantic City, New Jersey, June 6th, 9th and 10th.

The Council Committee, Mrs. Charles B. Yardley, Mrs. Ed. L. Johnson and Mrs. Wm. P. Orr, have made satisfactory arrangements for the Council meeting June 7th and 8th, and the programs have been distributed by Mrs. John Sherman, the Recording Secretary and Chairman of the Printing Committee.

The Hotel Chalfonte has made special arrangements to entertain the General Federation, providing rooms for \$3.00 and 3.50 per day. The Research Club of Atlantic City has kindly consented to assist the committee of the General Federation in perfecting arrangements.

The Board of Directors, Presidents of State Federations, Presidents of Clubs and kindred societies constitute the Council to consider and promote the interests of the General Federation of Women's Clubs. This council meets the day previous and the day following each Biennial, also at the call of the Board of Directors, or at the written request of 25 members, representing as many different States; 20 members constitute a quorum. All Club women will be cordially welcomed and they are urged to attend.

The Council will open June 7th at 10 a. m. with a prayer by Rev. Antoinette Blackwell, followed by a hymn and the address of welcome given by Mrs. A. J. Newberry, the President of the New Jersey Federation. Mrs. Decker will make the response, after which the following committees will report, credential, rules and regulations, and revision of the by-laws. At the afternoon session Mr. John Foord, Secretary Asiatic Association, will give an address on Chinese immigration, followed by a report on the Bureau of Information by Mrs. Mary I. Wood, chairman. In the evening there will be an exhibit of Arts and Crafts; Canadian in charge of Miss Phillips, Americans in charge of Mrs. Bowles of Pinehurst, N. C., followed by social hour. The morning of June 8th will be devoted to the reports of the standing committees of the General Federation, and an exhibit the Pure Food Committee, while in the afternoon an address on *Readjustment of New Industrial and Social Conditions*, by Josiah Strong of the American Institute of Social Science will be given.

The following State Federations have held conventions during the past month:

North Carolina, the 3rd annual meeting May 2-4th at Goldsboro.
South Carolina, the 7th annual meeting May 16-19th, at Union.
Rhode Island, the 11th annual meeting, May 20th at Pawtucket.
Massachusetts, the 13th annual meeting, May 26th at Everett.
South Dakota will hold its 6th annual meeting June 7th and 8th at Huron.
Kentucky will hold its 11th annual meeting June 7th and 8th at Cynthiana.

THE Associate Alumnae of Vassar College have established a fellowship of five hundred dollars to be awarded yearly, for a term of five years, to some graduate of Vassar College who desires to carry on advanced study. The fellowship will not be awarded by competitive examination, but upon proof of ability and promise of success in the chosen line of work.

Applications for the year 1905-06 must be in the hands of the Fellowship Committee by June 20th, and must be accompanied by testimonials of character, evidence of good health, statement of work proposed and examples of scientific or literary work accomplished. The fellowship is available for study in America or Europe and as a rule will be held but for one year. Application may be made to any one of the Committee:

Mrs. Elizabeth Howe, 183 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, N. Y.; Miss Mary W. Whitney, Vassar College, Poughkeepsie, N. Y.; Mrs. Ellen H. Richards, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Boston, Mass.

A SOUTHERN SCHOLARSHIP.—The Western College for Women, Oxford, O., offers for the years 1905-1906 and 1906-1907 a scholarship of three hundred dollars, which will cover the entire charge for tuition, board and room, to a girl of Southern parentage, educated in the South, who is fully qualified to enter the Freshman class.

The scholarship will be awarded by competitive examination. The candidate for the scholarship should apply to the Western College through the head of the institution in which she is studying for the examination papers, which will be forwarded. All those applying for the scholarship for next year, must send in their papers before July 1st.

LILLIAN WYCKOFF JOHNSON, PH.D., President.

United Daughters of the Confederacy.

President—Mrs. A. T. Smythe, 31 Legare St., Charleston, S. C.
Corresponding Secretary—Mrs. V. F. McSherry, Martinsburg, West Virginia.

(UP-TO-DATE NOTES.)

THE Twelfth Annual Convention of the United Daughters of the Confederacy will be held in the Palace Hotel, San Francisco, California, October 3rd to 7th, 1905. Luncheon will be served four days of the Convention at the Palace Hotel by the Albert Sidney Johnston Chapter U. D. C.

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The Ninth Annual Convention of the Mississippi Division U. D. C. was held in Macon, Miss., May 3rd. About 125 delegates were in attendance. Mrs. Ernest Allen of Vicksburg writes to the *Keystone* as follows:

"Among the many questions arising at this meeting (Macon, Miss., May 3rd), was the one of the Mississippi Division inviting the General Convention to meet in Mississippi in 1906. Gulfport, on the coast, was decided upon as the meeting place, though the Convention is to be the guest of the entire Division. Of course, we hope to secure the Convention, and if you are not pledged to help carry it elsewhere I hope you will use your influence for us. The President's report was of usual strength, showing an in-

crease of twelve Chapters during the year. The question of bestowing the title of "The Daughter of the Confederacy" upon Mrs. Hayes, only living child of Jefferson Davis, came up. The plan originated with the Veterans. The Daughters gave their hearty endorsement."

THE LOUISIANA DIVISION U. D. C. held its annual convention at Alexandria, La., May 2nd to 5th. The subject of refurnishing the Library of the Soldiers' Home in New Orleans was one of great interest to the Division at this meeting. The following officers were elected:

President, Mrs. D. A. S. Vaught, 1527 7th St., New Orleans, La.; Vice-Presidents, Miss Mattie McGrath, Baton Rouge; Mrs. M. C. Loure, Plaquemine; Mrs. James Andrews, Alexandria; Mrs. A. L. Wilson, Monroe; Cor. Sec., Mrs. M. Carlisle, Tangipahoa; Recording Secretary, Mrs. Chas. S. Childress, 3822 Chestnut St., New Orleans; Treasurer, Mrs. V. Z. Howell, St. Francisville; Historian, Mrs. J. A. Carruthers, Baton Rouge; Registrar, Mrs. Walter Johnson, Alexandria; Custodian, Relief Soldiers' Home, Mrs. Paul Israel, 1448 Louisiana Avenue, New Orleans; Recorder of Crosses of Honor, Mrs. A. J. Hardee, Shreveport.

THE FIRST CHAPTER of the United Daughters of the Confederacy organized in a foreign country has received its charter. The following letter tells most interestingly of its life and methods:

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Dear Mrs. Smythe:—

"I mailed you to-day a paper containing the notice of the organization of our Chapter of the Daughters of the Confederacy. I suppose 'the first in a foreign country. I have been working sometime to organize the Chapter and have just succeeded. I feel very proud of 'it, and especially as it is named for our beloved Alabamian, Father 'Ryan.

"Our President, Mme. Degollda, is a Virginian. She married and 'came to Mexico a few months before Maximillian did, and was an

"intimate friend of Carlotta's. She has been here forty-one years, but 'is a true American, and a most ardent Southerner, and I am sure 'will make a most excellent President. * * * * Several Confederate soldiers have died here and were buried in Potter's field. 'The first work of the Chapter will be to look those up and mark the 'graves, then secure a spot in the American Cemetery for our Confederate dead to which we will erect a monument.

"Although Regent of the Daughters of the American Revolution of 'this City, there is nothing nearer or dearer to my heart than our Lost 'Cause. I organized the Joseph E. Johnston Chapter at my home in 'Athens, Ala., in 1898.

"I would be very glad if you would let the Daughters know through 'your official organ that, although we are in a foreign country, our 'sunny home land is near and dear to our hearts.

"Sincerely, (MISS) RICHARD SNEAD,
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The officers of this new Chapter are: President, Mme. Mariano Degollda; 1st Vice-President, Mrs. Eba McKie; 2nd Vice-President, Miss R. N. Snead; Cor. Sec., Mrs. B. Files; Treasurer, Mrs. N. L. Brinker; Historian, Mrs. G. W. Johnson.

THE FLORIDA Division held its Annual Convention at Pensacola on May 3rd.

THE WOMEN of Richmond, Virginia, have organized a FitzHugh Lee Monument Association with Mrs. Norman Randolph as president. They will receive contributions for the monument for two years, and at the opening of the Jamestown Exposition will unveil the monument.

THE ARKANSAS Confederate Monument "The Defense of the Flag," by Ruckstuhl, will be unveiled in Little Rock on June 3rd. The committee of confederate men and women in charge of this work are to be congratulated on the completion of so beautiful and artistic a tribute to their Confederate dead.

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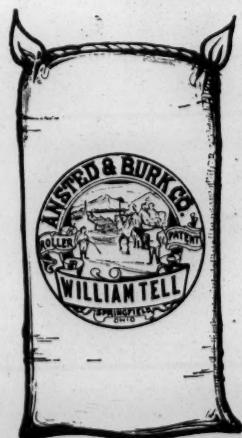
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